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SHIP AHOY— The new Arleigh Burke class destroyer Chafee (DDG 90), flying her battle ensign while her crew lines the rails, arrives at Pier Two, Naval Station Newport, last Monday for commissioning ceremonies tomorrow. Story, more pictures, Pages 8-10.



Disabled part of work force

The third annual Disability Awareness Fair will showcase services for the disabled in the work f orce.

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NCIS agent is 'Top Cop'

A Naval Criminal Investigative Service agent is honored by the National Association of Police Organizations as a 'Top Cop.'

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Mixer goes international

The Naval Command College holds a reception to thank the sponsors of international officers studying at the Naval War College.

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NCIS agent breaks case, recognized as 'Top Cop'

By ENSIGN SCOTT MEIS

Navalog contributor

For those involved in the investigative field, it's not unusual to spend years absorbed in a case that in the end produces minimal leads and discouraging results.

Nonetheless, there are times when a detective is able to find just the right pieces to complete a puzzle. Such was the case for Naval Criminal Investigative Service Special Agent Jeff Morrow at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport, who was recognized at The National Association of Police Organizations' 10th annual Top Cops Awards ceremony last weekend for breaking a case that originated 20 years ago.

The ceremony, at the Lincoln Theatre in from re-interviewing witnesses. Washington D.C., paid tribute to law enforcement officers from across the country for outstanding service to their communities during the preceding year.

Top Cops are nominated by fellow officers

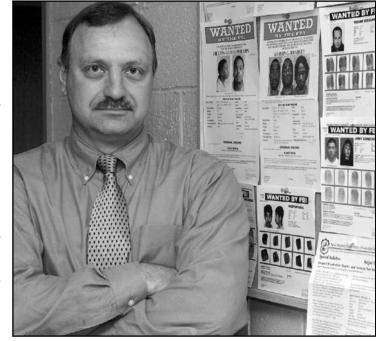
and selected from hundreds of nominations by an independent awards committee.

In 1983, Navy Chief Petty Officer Melvin Grotton, who was stationed in Newport but lived in Belfast, Maine, was shot three times while walking into his home to see his wife and three children. An intense investigation followed, but all leads became cold soon there-

Fourteen years later, a joint investigation by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) and the Maine State Police was initiated in an attempt to solve the Grotton murder. Morrow joined Detective Dean Jackson of the Maine State Police and received new leads as a result of extensive analysis of the facts and evidence

One of their re-interviews was with Grotton's widow, Norma Small, who was the sole beneficiary of his \$250,000 life insurance policy. Several testimonies revealed that Small had feel-

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TOP COP— Agent Jeff Morrow of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service was recognized by the National Association of Police Organizations as one of several Top Cops' for 2003.

Hydrant flow tests may cloud tap water

The Naval Station (NAVSTA) 23-23 (Oct. 31 if necessary). Newport Fire Department will Testing will include Farragut perform hydrant flow tests in Field Housing completed by several areas of NAVSTA from Oct. 20 to 31 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Testing sites will include Cloyne Court Housing); Coasters' Harbor Island, the Naval Ambulatory Care Center Center, Oct. 28-30. (NACC), Coddington Point, the Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC), as well as the Farragut Field and Cloyne Court housing areas.

The flow testing dates are: Coddington Point, Oct. 21-22 (Oct. 31 if necessary):

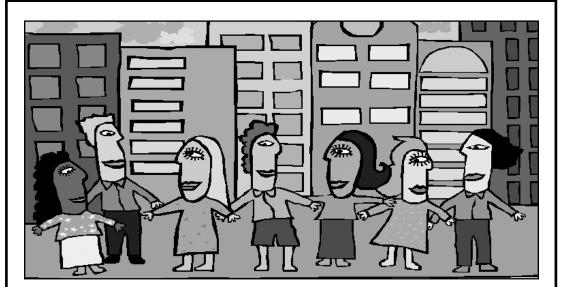
Coasters' Harbor Island, Oct.

Ron Fontaine

Naval Ambulatory Care Center, Oct. 27. Testing will include

Naval Undersea Warfare

NAVSTA environmental engineers warn tapwater may turn slightly brown while testing is taking place. Residents should check their water before cooking, drinking and doing laundry. If discoloration occurs, allow the water to run for several minutes until clear.



Services for disabled showcased

BV BOB KREKORIAN NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Committee will sponsor the third annual Disability Awareness Fair on Oct. 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Officers' Club.

This year's theme is "America Works Best When All Americans Work."

At least 48 vendors and organizations that provide services for those with disis free and open to the pub-

The fair will serve as a doors to opportunity for 4875.

persons with disabilities.

"The goal of the fair is to transportation, raise the level of awareness telecommunications about disabilities in the workplace and the appropriate accommodations that do have the ability to work can be made," according to Kathryn Allen, chairperson of the event.

In 1990, President George W. Bush signed the Ameriabilities will attend. The fair cans with Disabilities Act said. (ADA) into law. The landmark legislation opened the contact Ms. Allen at 841-

vehicle to provide the public people with disabilities. The and the NAVSTA Newport legislation has had enorwork force with informa- mous influence on improvtional displays of various ing employment opportuniproducts and services for ties, government services, public accommodations, and for those with disabilities.

> "People with disabilities and enjoy life," Allen said. "There are many organizations out there that can help with making accommodations in the workplace," she

For more information,



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INTRODUCTIONS — Naval Academy Prep School faculty member, Lt. Kelly Pierce, center, meets with Joseph and Rosemary McCammond whose son, Patrick, right, is a midshipman candidate, as NAPS Parents Weekend gets underway in Capt. Howard Kay Hall last weekend. The school hosted a variety of receptions and athletic events, and it was the first time parents had seen their sons or daughters since last July.

Newport Naval Cable TV

Naval aviation gets historical overview

Navy and Marine Corps News airs daily at 8:30 a.m., noon and 5:30 p.m. on channel 11. Look for the following stories and more on this week's show:

— We'll take you to Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Md., for an inside look at a unique hitech testing facility

— Commander, Naval Air Forces Vice Adm. Michael D. Malone talks about the future of naval aviation.

Helicopter aircrew members get "dunked" at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif., as part of their egress training.

— Find out about past and possible future uses of the Navy's "Lighter Than Air" ships.

Health and Wellness Videos

Health education and wellness programs are now offered on Newport Naval Cable Television channel 13, daily, following Navy and Marine Corps News.

During next week's featured segments, beginning Oct. 20, learn more about Stroke and Thyroid Disorders. If interested in classroom/video programs or in participating in the Health Promotion Action Council, call Health Promotion Department at 841-6777.

Fleet and Family Support

Parents and teenagers may be interested in the Fleet and Family Support Center video series.

The programs air daily on channel 11 at 10 a.m., 1:30 and 7 p.m. The weekly schedule is displayed below.

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Sunday	
Monday	Groark Learns
	About Bullying
Tuesday	Groark Learns
	About Prejudice
Wednesday	Helping Your Teen
	Cope with Peer
	Pressure
Thursday	Helping Your Teen
	Succeed in School

A number of things...

11,000

The number of naval recruits in training at Recruit Training Command Great Lakes who turned out to hear the patriotic concert, "Spirit of America," by the legendary Charlie Daniels Band.

18

The number of schools being rebuilt by Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 4 in the Ad Diwaniyah, Iraq, area.

4.000

The number of guests expected at the commissioning of the Navy's newest Arleigh Burke Class destroyer, Chafee (DDG 90), tomorrow at Pier Two. The ship was built at Bath Iron Works,

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National Guard joins region in war game here

By SPEC. KEN HALL, USAR RING Detachment 2. 65th Press Camp

Saving lives. infrastructure. Improving response capabilities.

This is what the Army National Guard's latest exer- Love, assistant to the Comcise simulation, "Northeast 2003" Sentinel (NS-03),intended to bring to bear at the Naval War College recently.

Col. Louis Abbenante, National Plans Operations and Military Support Advisory Council chairman from Rhode Island, said the wargame was to introduce the Northeast Region to procedures in lessons learned through exerresponding to a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) inci-

a neighboring POMSO Director and brainstormed the idea to conduct a WMD exercise on a broad scale.

"I think we all need to understand that each of us has a different role," said Maj. Gen. Reginald Centracchio, the R.I. Adjutant General. "But when you funnel it, it's always in support of the governor of the state. This exercise has forced us to look at real world possibilities, and we're going to require better planning."

The Rhode Island National Guard (RING) is no stranger to WMD and natural disaster preparedness training. Participation in NS-03 is only the latest RING effort to keep RI's first responder support and conse-

quence management abilities at the ready.

"I'd like to see future exercis-Protecting es expanded to better test the Emergency Management Agency and how well that works," said Major Gen. Andy mander, U.S. Northern Command for National Guard

> While there have been debates on the possible lack of information exchange between federal agencies leading into the 9-11 terrorist attacks on America, the POMSO organization shares all cises like NS-03, and realworld events.

"I think this process has Abbenante got together with been extraordinarily helpful and extraordinarily important," said Governor Carcieri. "One of the issues that we saw quickly in analyzing the aftermath of what happened in our response to the Station fire was in the ability to communicate with all the different participants efficiently and smoothly on a common band."

> NS-03 was a regional-level exercise created to give its participants a discussion forum to iron out the details of preparing for a possible WMD terrorist attack, and then deal with the consequence management of an actual WMD strike.

While NS-03's main focus was fine-tuning the duties and

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DIGGING IN - Rhode Island Supreme Court Chief Justice Frank Williams, center left; Rear Adm. Michael Lohr, center, JAGC; and Capt. Thomas W. Greene Jr., second right; Commanding Officer, Naval Justice School, and representatives of the contractor and the Resident Officer in Charge of Construction, toss spades of earth in NJS's groundbreaking last week for a broad \$6 million rehabilitation of Building 360.

International officers mix, mingle with host families

By CMDR. R. O'BRIEN Deputy Public Affairs, Naval War College

About 200 people turned out for the Naval Command College's (NCC) annual International Night at the Officers' Club on Sept. 25.

The event was to thank the people and organizations who have supported the international students and their families during their first two months in the United States.

The host families, especially the senior international officers' sponsors, have volunteered their time and expertise to help the international families make the transition to life in Newport.

The NCC students and spouses' last gathering with host families was in August at Kempenaar's Clambake Club.

Capt. Brad Smith, Director of the Naval Command College, remarked on the Class of Portuguese navy, thanked all study, and emphasized the 2004's dedication, imagination and enthusiasm that the 39 senior international officers. from 38 countries and their spouses, have demonstrated.

and his spouse.

The NCC 2004 class presi-



PHC Bob Inverso/U.S. Navy photo

Capt. Hiroshi Yamamura, left, of the Japan Maritime Self Defense Force and Cmdr. Hector Vergnaud of the Argentine navy, sample sushi at the Naval Command College's International Night reception at the Officers' Club.

and families to adapt American ways of life.

Rear Adm. Ronald A. Route, President of the Naval War Col-He introduced each student lege, concluded the formal part of the evening.

guests for helping the students importance of fostering friendship, knowledge and cooperation among friendly and allied navies from around the globe.

Navy Band Northeast's jazz He challenged the students combo provided easy listening dent, Capt. Joao Cancela of the to excel during their year of music throughout the evening.

Nominations seek top service member

Nominations are being Newport area service clubs. accepted for the annual Naval Station Newport Servicemember of the Year program. All

Co-sponsored by the Newport County Navy League, the program honors the outstanding achievements and contributions of individuals from various sectors of Naval Station Newport.

The winners will be honored at individual award cerety Navy League and various than Jan. 9, 2004.

In accordance with NAVS-TAINST 6610.2D, commands should submit nominations area commands are eligible through their chain of comand encouraged to participate. mand to the Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport, via code N01P, according to the following schedule:

> Junior Officer of the Year, no later than Nov. 7;

> Senior Enlisted Service Member of the Year, no later than Dec. 5:

Junior Enlisted Service monies by the Newport Coun- Member of the Year, no later

Navy/Marine Corps Commendation

Lt. j.g. Agnes Ambrosi, Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport, Sept.

HMCM (SW) Edward Elliott, Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport, Sept. 24, 2003. (Silver star in lieu of sixth award)

HM1 Craig Jones, Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport, Sept. 24, 2003, (gold star in lieu of second award)

HM2 Jason Jones, Naval Ambulatory Care Center Newport, Sept. 24, 2003, (gold star in lieu of fourth award.)



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Rock band concert tonight includes bonfire

For the second straight year, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department will sponsor the "Fall into the Rhythm" Concert and bonfire at Naval Station Newport, today at 5

This awesome autumn event is sure to get your feet tapping and your hands clapping as Rhode Island Sound, Navy Band Northeast's Rock Band, performs tunes ranging from

Special events

Ft. Adams gets haunted twist

The Fort Adams Trust has announced the return of the Halloween event "FrightNights at the Haunted Fort," co-sponsored with FrightNight Productions.

The Haunted Fort will be open from 7 to 9:30 p.m. beginning tonight, and Oct. 18, 24, 25, 30 31, and Nov. 1.

Admission to this spooky event is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 8 to 12. This haunted adventure is not recommended for children under age 8. For more information, call Fort Adams Trust at 841-0707.

Ghouls to gather at Officers' Club

Children of active duty military, ages 4 to 12, are welcome at the annual Ghoulish Gathering at the Officers' Club ballroom on Thursday, Oct. 30, from 5 to 7 p.m.

This "spook"tacular allhands special event is sponsored by the Naval Station Newport Morale, Welfare and Recreation Dept.

Children and parents alike are invited to don their cutest/scariest/wildest costumes.

There will be a magician, balloon artist, games and crafts, a Halloween havride and much more. Bring a carved, painted or decorated pumpkin for our contest and you could win a prize. Light refreshments will be available.

Remember, costumes are a must for children and encouraged for parents, so get yours early. Adult volunteers are needed. For more information or to volunteer, call Special Events at 841-4038.

favorite hits!

The concert and bonfire Store and Uniform Shop. Food USS Chafee at Pier Two. The participating in the Surface tor at 841-4038.

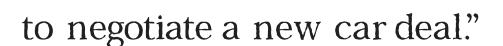
able.

takes place on the grassy area the commissioning tomorrow Unit (PCU) are invited. Active For more information, call between the NEX Package of the guided missile destroyer duty military and reservists MWR special events coordina-

The concert coincides with the ship's Precommissioning after their race ends.

R&B to classic rock to today's and beverages will be avail- Arleigh Burke warship arrived Navy Association's 5k-by-the Monday and all hands from Bay today are also welcome

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What's going on

5k race by bay tonight

The Surface Navy Association's 5-k By the Bay Road Race will step off tonight at 5 from in front of Arleigh Burke Hall, Surface Warfare Officers School Command.

Proceeds to benefit Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

The entry fee is \$18 and forms are available www.sna5k.com, or call 841-4664.

TODAY, Oct. 17

- Navy Band Northeast's rock band, Rhode Island Sound's Fall into the Rhythm Concert, on the grassy area between NEX Package Store and Uniform shop, 5 p.m. A bonfire and complimentary food and beverages
- •Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular continues through Nov. 2, Roger Williams Park Zoo, Providence, 6 to 11 p.m. Over 5,000 pumpkins carved by more than 30 professional pumpkin carvers aglow a three-mile wooded path at the zoo.
- · Marketing Yourself for a Second Career, 9 to 11:30 a.m., Weakley Hall Auditorium. Insight on transitioning from the military to civilian work
- Recreation Center movies are shown upon request. Beginning tonight are The Italian Job (PG-13) and Wrong Turn (R).
- "FrightNight" at Haunted Fort Adams, Halloween haunted house, 7 to 9:3 p.m. Admission fee, minimum age limit. Also, Oct. 18.
- Haunted Newport 2003. A month of Halloween activities throughout Newport County, including ghost and vampire tours, haunted havrides, Halloween parties, Metaphysical Faire, horror film festival and more. Call 846-9884, or visit www.hauntednewport.com.

SATURDAY, Oct. 18

 Arleigh Burke class destroyer John H. Chafee commissioned into naval service, 11 a.m. Pier Two, Naval Station Newport. Reception immediately following, Capt. Howard N. Kay Hall.

•Soup kitchen, 4:30 p.m., Community Baptist Church, Dr. Marcus Wheatland Boulevard. Military volunteers welcome.

SUNDAY, Oct. 19

- Chapel of Hope Sunday worship services
- Protestant service, 8 and 10:30 a.m.
- Catholic mass, 9 a.m. and noon.
- Sunday Brunch, Officers' Club, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Sunday bowling, Seaview Bowling Lanes, Building 656, \$7 per person, two-person minimum per lane.
 - Soup kitchen, 4 to 4:45 p.m., Sal-



Navy Band Northeast's rock band, Rhode Island Sound, will warm you up with its 'Fall into the Rhythm' Concert tonight at 5. Bring the family and meet your friends outside, on the grassy area outside the Navy Uniform Shop.

vation Army, Memorial Boulevard, sons with disabilities to contribute military volunteers welcome.

MONDAY, Oct. 20 • Fitness Walk and Tone, 8 to 9

- a.m., Gym 109. • Intermediate Weight Training for Women, 9 to 10:30 a.m., \$10 per per-
- Soup kitchen, 8:30 a.m. Martin Luther King Center, Dr. Marcus Wheatland Boulevard, military volunteers welcome; 11:30 a.m., St. Joseph's Church, Broadway, New-

Church, Pelham Street, Newport. Military volunteers welcome. TUESDAY, Oct. 21

port; 5 p.m., Channing Memorial

- Navy Choristers rehearsal, 6:15-8:45 p.m., Quinn Lecture Room at Naval War College. Call 847-4256 or 423-3523 for more information.
- Intermediate Weight Training for Women, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Gym 109. 310 per person. Call 841-3154.
- •Officers' Club movie night, at 6 p.m., Hollywood Homicide (PG-13); 8

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 22

• Disability Awareness Fair, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Naval Station Newport Officers' Club. Information and crafts, hayride, balloon artist, magidisplays of products, services and cian and more. Bring a painted, equipment that grants access to per- carved or decorated pumpkin.

in the workplace.

• Preschoolers (ages 3-5)with Parents (Session B), 1 to 2 p .m., Norman Bird Sanctuary. One-hour hands-on programs to engage preshoolers to the wonders of nature. Also, Oct. 29; Nov. 5, Nov. 12. Call 846-2577, or visit www.normanbirdsanctuary.org for more informa-

THURSDAY, Oct. 23

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622):
- Fitness Hour, 9 to 10:30 a.m.
- Parent and Toddler Playgroup, 10:45 to noon
- Kids Sewing, 2:30 to 4 p.m.; and 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Upcoming:

Oct. 28 — Health Care Consumer Council Meeting, 1 p.m., Naval Ambulatory Care Center, Newport conference room

Oct. 30 — Children's Halloween Party, 5 to 7 p.m., NAVSTA Officers' Club. Children ages 4 to 12 and parents come dressed for a "spooktacular," all-hands Goulish Gathering. Have fun playing creepy games,

NAACP slates awards dinner

MIDDLETOWN Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) will hold its 84th annual Awards Dinner on Friday, Nov. 7, at the Atlantic Beach Club, 53 Purgatory

The guest speaker will be Dr. Beverly Ledbetter, vice president and general counsel at Brown University.

The gala event, highlighting 849-0589.

— The the accomplishments and ser-Newport County Branch of the vice of individuals and the National Association for the organization over the past year, will begin with a reception at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7.

> Tickets are \$50 per person. For tickets or more information, contact the NAACP office at 847-5570; Joyce Dawson, 849-4599; L. David Shavers, 849-1477; or Bessie Roberts,

Theater group stages **Four Chaplains story**

TIVERTON — Friends of the Arts in Tiverton and Play-Four of a Kind: The Story of the Four Chaplains, an adaptation by award-winning playwright, David W. Christner.

Christner is a graduate of the former Officer Candidate School in Newport in 1966, and a Vietnam war veteran.

The play, which takes place at the Holy Trinity Church on Main Road, will run Nov. 5 to 8 at 7:30 p.m. There will be a reception following each performance with an opportunity to meet the company and the playwright.

Four military chaplains of four different faiths bonded in friendship while serving their country and together made a heroic decision on the night of Feb. 3, 1943, when a German U-boat in icy artic waters torpedoed their transport ship, The Dorchester. The strike was deadly, and as the ship went down the chaplains gave away their life jackets.

The play dramatically presents just what the chaplains left behind and how they struggled mightily with their calling, which was in powerful opposition to their love for their families.

A company of Rhode Island actors, along with Big Band wrights Place Productions music and vocals by The Jerry have joined forces to produce Silva Music Ensemble, bring this compelling drama to life.

Reservations are suggested of a famous World War II story by calling 624-4759, Monday through Fridays evenings. Donations for all performances will benefit the Interfaith Hospitality Network, which serves Newport County homeless families.

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OTC-N Command Chaplain

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I have to admit that I tend to take a glance at some of the

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various n e w s sites on the Inter-

couple of times a day. But I am not a junkie, though, just aware of current events! Recently, I read an interesting article (I wish I could remember the source!) about the pitfalls of being caught up in what we often find in daily news sources, such as television or newspapers.

Bad news is a good thing in the news business, because bad news gets people's attention. The article used the current situation in Iraq as an example. Whenever a soldier is killed or wounded, we hear about it. Now, any death we suffer over there is a tragic thing.

But what doesn't get reported with bold headlines is anything that happened to go right on any particular day. We don't often find news stories about power being restored, or hospitals being repaired, or businesses being rebuilt, or teachers being hired.

A hundred good things might occur, touching thousands of lives, and we seldom hear about them. And what happens to last week's headline? Who remembers, or who can follow up? Focusing exclusively on the stream of individual daily events can cause us to lose sight of the big picture.

The author of the article suggested forgetting about daily news altogether, and getting our information from periodicals or books. Sources such as these give us a bigger perspective of what is going on in our world, and where we might be headed.

I think that perspective can be very helpful in our personal lives, as well. How often do we tend to focus on a single event that might happen in our day, usually a negative event? Maybe it could be a hurtful remark by a significant other or a friend. We can let that single "headline event" overshad-

that might have happened on thanks from our boss. that same day. The sun setting you haven't heard from in a of what is going on in our lives. in my life if I take a bigger per-

in splendor over the bay, a in the "headlines" of each day, our lives are going. I know that you have a compulsion to phone call from a good friend we can look at the big picture I can see how God is working

By CHAPLAIN C. PICKETT ow all the little good things while, a word of praise and Looking back over the past few spective, instead of getting lost months or years can help us in the flow of individual days. And, instead of getting lost get a better picture of where

If we are working towards a goal, taking the longer view

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"I wouldn't trade it for anything."

Gerald Hartmann Sgt. USAF, Ret.; Bedford, MA

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- Claire Jeronimo, Fairhaven, MA

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Commissioning of Chafee

Destroyer to join **U.S. Fleet**



HEADING DOWNEAST — The guided missile destroyer Chafee, built at Bath Iron Works, Maine, passes Fort Popham on the Kennebec River to begin Shipbuilder's Trials last June. She was christened Nov. 11, 2002.

Tami Mitchell/Bath Iron Works photo

Ron Fontaine/ **U.S. Navy photos**

ALL TOGETHER NOW -Crytpologic **Technician** (Technical) Third Class Rita Pickenpaugh, right, joins linehanders as the Arleigh Burke class destroyer Chafee is berthed at Pier Two last Monday for commissioning ceremonies tomorrow. The ship sailed down from Boston last weekend.



Skipper's roots in **Northeast**

The Commanding Officer of the guided missile destroyer Chafee is a New England

Cmdr. John W. Ailes was born in New London, Conn., the son of a career naval officer. He graduated from Oregon State University in 1985, was commissioned through the NROTC Program.

After completing Surface

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Cmdr. John Ailes, Commanding Officer, meets the press after the destroyer Chafee arrives at Naval Station Newport.

4,000 expected for ceremonies

By JOY CHRISTMAS

NAVSTA Public Affairs Office

More than 4,000 invited guests are expected to attend the commissioning of the guided missile destroyer Chafee tomorrow at 11 a.m. Newport.

Commandant of the Marine Arleigh Burke-class destroyer

Distinguished

Sen. Lincoln Chafee, R-R.I.; and Rhode Island Gov. Donald Carcieri.

Six active duty and retired admirals, plus other state and local dignitaries are also expected to attend.

Named for late Rhode Island on Pier Two, Naval Station Republican senator, former governor and Secretary of the The principal speaker will be Navy, John H. Chafee, the 40th Corps, Gen. Michael W. Hagee. carries a complement of 32 guests officers and 348 enlisted

include Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., CEREMONIES, Page 10

Commissioning of Chafee

Newport native returns aboard newest destroyer

By ENSIGN SCOTT MEIS

Navalog contributor

Newport-native Yeoman Third Class Jodi Salazar, 24, arrived last Monday aboard her new home away from home, the Arleigh Burke class destroyer USS Chafee.

Salazar is the only crewmember from Rhode Island on the guided missile destroyer named after the late U.S. Sen. John H. Chafee. He was also a former Secretary of the Navy and a Rhode Island governor.

will be tomorrow at Pier Two, Naval Station Newport.

Having grown up in Newport, Salazar graduated from Island. Middletown High School in June 1998 before entering the Navy in November and attending boot camp at Great Lakes Naval Training Center.

"I joined the Navy because I viewed it as a great opportuni-Salazar said in a recent interview. Before arriving at the Chafee, Salazar lived in Oak NATIVE, Page 10

Commissioning ceremonies Harbor, Wash., and worked as part of VAQ-129, an EA-6B Prowler squadron located at Naval Air Station Whidbey

> Salazar enjoys spending what little free time she has playing sports, reading and playing with her 2-year old daughter.

Salazar will soon leave the cool New England weather for ty to travel and obtain a college a much milder climate in Pearl education," Petty Officer Harbor, Hawaii, where the Chafee will be homeported



OLD HOME WEEK — Yeoman Third Class Jodi Salazar, a Middletown High School graduate, stands at the guided missile destroyer Chafee's quarterdeck.

Ailes

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Warfare Officers School, his first sea tour was as a member of the commissioning crew of the cruiser in USS Bunker Hill which was commissioned in September 1986.

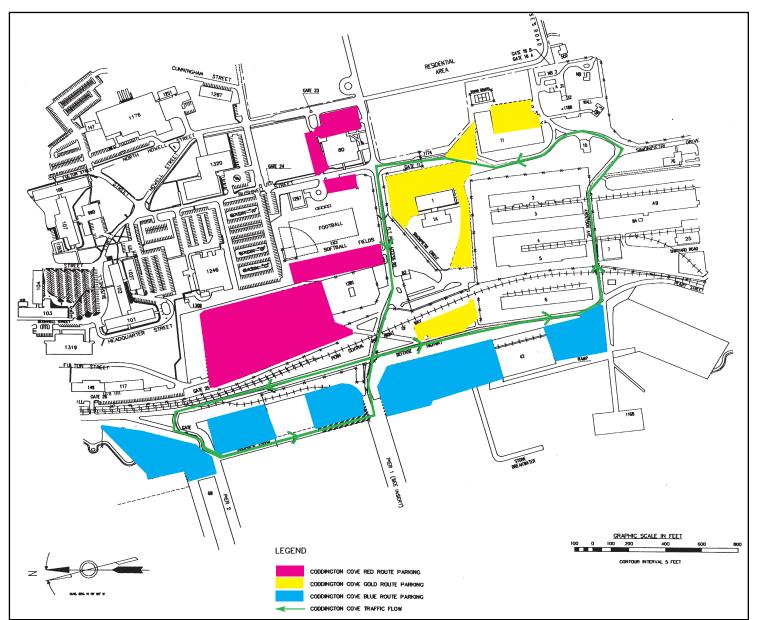
Aboard Bunker Hill, Ailes served as the strike warfare officer and later as the communications officer. During his tour, Bunker Hill deployed to the Arabian Gulf as part of operation Earnest Will and the ship changed home ports from San Diego to Yokosuka, Japan.

In later sea duty, he served on the destroyer USS Elliott, and the guided missile destroyer USS Russell which was deployed to the Arabian Gulf and participated in Operation Desert Strike.

In December 1996, he was assigned to the Program Executive Office, Theater Surface Combatants, as Test and Evaluation Officer for the Navy Theater Ballistic Missile Defense Program.

In March 1999, Ailes reported to the cruiser USS Lake Erie where he again deployed to the Arabian Gulf. Upon its return, the ship executed the first Flight Test Round missile shot, for the Navy's Aegis LEAP Intercept Program.

In September 2000, Ailes became the Aegis Theater Ballistic Missile Defense Warfare Area Manager in Washington, D.C.



INVITED GUESTS to the commissioning of the guided missile destroyer Chafee tomorrow will be directed to designated color-coded parking areas on the Pier 1 and 2 aprons, the former Fleet Parking lot, Prichard Field, Child Development Center lot, around NUWC Building 80 and next to Building 1 inside Gate 11.

Newport Navalog, Friday, October 17, 2003

Commissioning of Chafee



Bath Iron Works photo

THE CHAFEE (DDG 90) is the first destroyer to be built on Bath Iron Works' Land Level Transfer Facility, shown above. The ship was transferred from its building ways to the drydock last Oct. 12.

Native

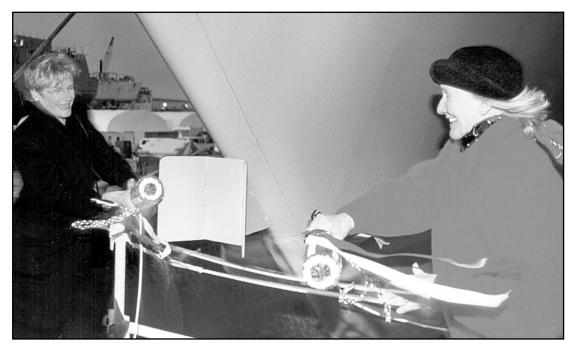
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family's move out to the Pacific Ocean.

under the command of Com- enjoy the beautiful weather bat operations at sea as part of mander, Destroyer Squadron and great beaches," she said. an aircraft carrier battle group, Salazar's husband, daughter, an element of a surface action Salazar anxiously awaits her family and friends will be on group, or an independent unit. hand Saturday.

"I am extremely excited to ship of the Arleigh Burke class. ship's namesake, and Diane take my family out to Pearl and Its mission is to conduct com- Blair.

The ship's co-sponsors are The Chafee is the 40th Navy Virginia Chafee, wife of the



BIG BASH — Co-sponsors Mrs. Diane Blair, left, wife of retired Adm. Dennis Blair, for mer Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Command, and Mrs. Virginia Chafee, wife of the late Sen. John H. Chafee, R-R.I., christen the destroyer Chafee last Nov. 11 at Bath Iron Works, Maine.

Ceremonies

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crewmembers.

Two of Chafee's sons, Zechariah and Quentin Chafee, were among invited guests and media aboard when the ship arrived Monday from Boston.

Sponsored by the Newport County Navy League, the ceremony includes a flyover by two Marine Corps fighters.

Clad in colonial-period uniform the Newport Artillery Company will present a cannon salute. A color guard from the Marine Corps Detachment, NAVSTA Newport, will present the colors, and Navy Band Northeast's Ceremonial Band will provide music. Members of Newport Navy Choristers will sing several numbers.

Guests should arrive via the

Access Road off Main Road. Security personnel will direct cars to the appropriate parking lots (see map on Page Shuttle buses will be available to transport guests to a security checkpoint o u t s i d e Building 68 on Pier Two.

Guests will then proceed to a covered seating area at the end of the pier.

Buses will for return to the parking

Capt. Howard N. Kay Hall.

The first destroyer to be built on Bath Iron Works' new Land Level Transfer Facility in Maine, the ship will depart Monday for its homeport in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Commanded by Cmdr. John W. Ailes of New London, Conn., the Chafee is 509 feet long and displaces more than 9,000 tons.



Sen. John H. Chafee

Powered by four gas turbine engines, Chafee carries the most technologically advanced armament available. It is armed with a 90cell Vertical

Launching System capable of storing and rapidly firing a mix of Standard, Tomahawk, and Vertically Launched ASROC (VLA) missiles.

Chafee, a native of Providence, R.I., leaves an inspiring legacy of military and public service.

Enlisting as a private in the

Marine Corps age 19, he fought on Guadalcanal during World War II. Later commissioned second lieutenant, Chafee served with the sixth Marine Division in the Battle of Okinawa in April 1945. 1951, he

First Marine

Division



Ron Fontaine/U.S. Navy photo

CHIEF Quartermaster (SW) James Fox begins to plot a $\frac{1}{W}$ a course out of Rhode Island $r\,e\,c\,a\,l\,l\,e\,d$ waters for when the Chafee and served leaves for her Pearl Harbor, with the be available Hawaii, home port on Monday.

lots, or to a reception later in and fought in the Korean War.

He was elected governor in 1962. He was appointed Secretary of the Navy in 1969, serving until 1972.

Popular in Rhode Island, he was elected to the Senate in 1982, and reelected in 1988 and 1994.

Sen. Chafee died following a brief illness at Bethesda Naval Hospital in October 1999.

Newport Navalog, Friday, October 17, 2003

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WITH THE SNIP of the scissors, Rear Adm. William McGuire, right, Commander, Navy Exchange Command, and Robin Joseph, left, NEX general manager, assist Ann O'Connor, the employee with most longevity at NEX Newport, cut the ceremonial ribbon at the store's grand re-opening ceremonies on Oct. 8. Capt. Robert McLaughlin, Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport, is behind Joseph.

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A representative from the Navy Federal Credit Union will be conducting a program, The Credit Process, at the Fleet and Family Support Center on Oct. Credit reports are used not 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hear how to order your credit report to use with the followon class, "Reading Your Credit Report," scheduled for Nov. 13.

may be made by calling 841-2283.

Rebuilding when your relationship ends — This workshop will be held in three parts and will take place at the FFSC on Wednesdays beginning Oct. 29 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

The program is based on materials by Dr. Bruce Fisher

Registration is required and FFSC, Page 13

Health Promotion Department

Learn more about diabetes

Center Ambulatory Care (NACC) is planning two programs for diabetes education.

The first program will start Oct. 21 and will end on Nov. 25.

It will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. every Tuesday for five weeks. There will be no session held the week of Veterans Day (Tuesday, Nov. 11).

This program will be taught by the DASH (Diabetes Self Help Awareness) faculty, which includes many members of the NACC Staff.

The Health Promotion sessions will start on Nov. 4 and the Nutrition and Dia-Department of the Naval and will end Dec. 1. It will be betes class is held monthly. Plus) are required to take a held from 4 to 6:30, and the Individual appointments for mandatory resistance and aerdates are Nov. 4, Nov. 17, Nov. 25 and Dec. 1.

This program will be sponsored by Sierra Military Health Care and will be taught by nurse Alexis Budlong Springer.

To sign up for either program, please call Health Promotion at 841 6778. All beneficiaries and their family members are eligible to attend.

As usual, Glucose Monitor class and Introduction to Diabetes class are held every

diabetes and/or nutrition education are also available for entering the facilities during those who have completed the the designated times. above programs or who have special needs. Please call Health Promotion at 841-6778 for availability.

In addition, the Medical Library also has many up to date books, videos and periodicals on diabetes (this includes cookbooks). Internet access and assistance is also avail-The second program of four Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m., able. Call 841-4512 for details.

Leisure

Bowling

(Building 656, 841-4293) Fall Bowling Hours: The Seaview Bowling Center, Building 656 announces the following fall operating schedule: Monday, 5 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday, 5 to 10 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 7 p.m. Rock and Bowl, every other Saturday, 8 to 11

For more information, call the Bowling Center at 841-4293, during business hours.

Specials:

- Rock and Bowl: Every other Saturday night beginning at 8. Cost is just \$7 per person. Bowl a strike when the head pin is red and you will win a prize! It's rocking, it's rolling, it's bowling and it's a blast! The next Rock and Bowl night is,
- Sunday special is \$7 an hour from 1 to 7 p.m. for two
- Bowling birthday parties available Saturdays and Sundays and include reserved with or without bumpers. A party table with chairs is also included. Cost is just \$5 for each child, including shoe rental.

Aerobics/ exercise

(FITNESS Plus, Building 355, 841-1474)

Current hours of operation are Monday to Friday, 5 a.m. to 6 p.m.; closed weekends and holidays.

Youth/special fitness activities

(Gym 109, 841-3154)

Youth fitness program: Eligible youth wishing to utilize Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department fitness facilities (Gym 109 and FITNESS obics training class prior to

This class is required for vouth ages 10 to 15, and is also available for 16 and 17-yearolds that may also choose to participate in the fitness assessment program instead.

The Youth Fitness Class is available on an individual basis by pre-registering at Gym 109 or FITNESS Plus in Building 355. Parents are required golden oldies, country hits, to be in the building where the and today's top tunes.

course is being held during all class sessions.

Complete details on this program and youth fitness policies are available at Gym 109. Call 841-7196 for information or to pre-register.

Gymnasium

(Gym 109, 841-3154 or FIT-NESS Plus, Building 355, 841-

Halloween fun run: Dress up in your favorite Halloween costume for this frightfully, fun fitness event! Come and join your base mates at the "Halloween Fun Run and Walk" on Friday, Oct. 31.

The three-mile run and one and a half mile walk will take you around Coasters' Harbor Island, beginning and ending at Gym 109. The race will start at 11:45 a.m. This event is open to all active duty, retirees, reserve personnel, DoD civilians and all family members.

Participants under age 18 must have written parental consent (on form available at Gvm 109).

The command with the most participation and costume creativity will receive a treasure chest of treats. Register at Gym 109 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or at the event. For more information, call 841-7196.

Computer Café

(Building 656, 841-2194)

·Personal computers available seven days a week to send and receive email, surf the web, play games, etc. — all at no charge.

Open Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, 1 to 6 p.m. Food menu available from the Recreation Center kitchen.

Music/games (Building 656, 841-3054)

· Lunchtime BINGO, Thurs-

day and Friday only. Cover all the numbers on your BINGO card within the designated amount of numbers called and you will win \$500! If no one wins, play continues until a good BINGO is called, winning that lucky person \$100.

Three regular games each day with \$30 prizes for every BINGO called. Jackpot game begins at 12:30 p.m.

•Karaoke, Oct. 25, 8 p.m. Showcase your talents with



Cris Hartley/U.S. Navy photo

HARMONY MEN — The barbershop quartertet harmonizes as part of the U.S. Naval Academy Glee Club concert at the Naval War College last Monday, the anniversary of the Navy's birthday. The holiday concert drew an appreciative crowd for a variety of patriotic and pop music, sea chanties, and classic Broadway show tunes.

Information, Tickets and Travel

Tickets available for tenor

Don't miss your chance to see Italian tenor, Andrea Bocelli in his only area performance on Sunday, Nov. 23, at the Dunkin' Donuts Center in Providence.

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department's Information, Tickets and Travel Office, in the Recreation Center, Building 656, has your tickets to see this international singing sensation in a spectacular pre-holiday concert event. Tickets are \$78 each for the 8 p.m. show, which also features the World Festival Symphony.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit the ITT Office or call 841-3116.

Let's watch Macy's parade

Don't miss your chance to see this famous Thanksgiving Day Parade, highlighted by magnificent floats, giant balloons, fabulous marching bands, celebrities and of course, Santa Claus!

The Information, Tickets & Travel Office will travel to New York on Thursday, Nov. 27 for this must-see event and they want you to come along! Cost is just \$43 per person. The bus departs at 5 a.m. and returns at 5 p.m., so you will still be able to enjoy Thanksgiving dinner when you return. This trip will sell out, so sign up today!

Register at the Information, Tickets & Travel Office, Building 656 or call 841-3116 for more information.

Army Veterinary Clinic

Vaccine clinic available tomorrow by appointment

The U. S. Army Veterinary Treatment Facility, Building 303 will offer vaccine clinic tomorrow, Oct. 18, by appointment only. Dogs must be leashed and cats must be in a carrier.

Services are provided for pets of active duty, retired service members and dependents. You must provide your military ID. Please note that children under 12 are not allowed in the clinic and may not be left unattended outside of the clinic. This policy will be strictly enforced and anyone bringing children under contributed two hits to the age 12 will **NOT RECEIVE SERVICE.** Call the clinic at 841-3994.

Sports

NAPS finds traction in 'rain bowl' at Yale

By ENSIGN SCOTT MEIS

Navalog contributor

NEW HAVEN, Conn.— The Naval Academy Prep School (NAPS) Rams persevered through a constant downpour and treacherous field conditions this past Sunday with a confidence-boosting 13-7 win against their Ivy League opponent, Yale Junior Varsity Bulldogs

Yale struck first in the game when Jordan Spence ran 57 yards for a touchdown after a NAPS fumble. NAPS responded in the second quarter when Quarterback Anthony Johnson connected with O.J. Washingpass on a crucial fourth down play.

The Navy Rams solidified their lead in the third quarter when fullback Adam Ballard impressive 57-yard touchdown run up the middle of the field.

Despite the tough weather conditions, the NAPS offense managed to gain 388 yards of total offense during the game. Rams' cornerback Rob Spalding had two key second half interceptions, both halting Yale's scoring opportunities. NAPS defensive back Noah Elliot broke up several passes lot better heading into the bye during the game, while Amara Koroma and Matt Wimsatt

ton for a 44-yard touchdown each contributed a sack on defense.

With their win, the Rams move to 3-3 on the season. NAPS head coach Kendrick Clayton-Holmes was excited broke several tackles during an about his players being able to chalk up a win on the road in front of a group of supportive parents during NAPS' Parents Weekend.

> "There were several points in the game that the win could have slipped away but we bowed up as a team and got the job done," he said. "It was great to win one on Parents Weekend and has us feeling a

Rams baseball squad takes pair from Mitchell College

NEW LONDON, Conn. — The Naval Academy Prep came back from a 7-1 deficit to School baseball team swept a doubleheader from Mitchell College at Pequot Field on Oct.

In the opener, Mark McCoy's impressive pitching performance led NAPS to a 5-1 victo-

Game 2, Gene Price stroked a two-out RBI single in the seventh to tie the game and NAPS added three additional runs, while Mark Guadagnini shut down Mitchell's offense with three innings of scoreless relief and take the win, 10-7.

McCoy's dominant pitching performance held Mitchell to one unearned run on four hits. He struck out eight and walked one in a 104-pitch outing.

The NAPS offense pounded out 10 hits during the game. Derek Brundage tripled in the first and was driven in by Kevin Gregory's RBI single.

NAPS held the lead for the rest of the game. Brundage, Gregory, and centerfielder Renaldo Hollins each had two hits and an RBI while West

In the second game, NAPS pinch hitter. score four runs. Gavin Lipptwo quick outs when Mark get the game's big hit. McCoy entered the game as a

Maugeri, the NAPS shortwin in the seventh. But the stop, was injured at the end of Rams used clutch hitting to the first game. Following some medical attention by the trainman led off with an infield sin- ing staff, he returned in the gle. Calvin Pressley followed second game to solidify the with a walk. Mitchell recorded NAPS infield defense and to

DoD and military welcome in Newport Volleyball Club

The Newport Volleyball Club (NVC) is hosting free open houses for three weeks until Oct. 29, from 7 to 10 p.m., to kick off their 2003-2004 indoor volleyball season, at St. Michael's Country Day School gym, Rhode Island Avenue.

The open house is open to all levels of players: beginner, intermediate and advanced. Potential players are welcome to come over and try us out for the night, or join us for the season, November through May.

Teams will be selected during the weeks of Oct. 20 and 27. The open houses and games are played at St. Michael's.

Weekly schedule:

Mondays, Oct. 20 and 27, intermediate level women;

Tuesdays, Oct. 21 and 28, upper level women; upper level men:

Wednesdays, Oct. 22 and 29, lower level women and men (mixed league);

Thursday, Oct 23, intermediate level men.

The club was founded in 1993 by Newporter Arthur Palmer, has now grown to over 150 members.

For more information, contact Debbie Robertson: robertsonda@npt.nuwc.navy.mil, 401-832-6165; or visit our website at www.newportvolleyballclub.com

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the ending of a love relationship or marriage.

Topics of discussion will be coping with anger; adapting to independent life; dealing with loss; letting go and building self-esteem again; and entering new relationships. The workshop combines concrete information and group discussion.

Homebuyers' workshop — Purchasing a home is a complex task. There are many questions that need to be answered before you take that big step. Come to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Thursday, Oct. 30, from 7 to 9 p.m., and learn about your options and decipher real estate lingo.

You will meet with a representative from the Navy Federal Credit Union to hear first-hand about qualifications for mortgages and other financial options.

and is designed to help you adjust to Home-buying information for all areas of the United States is available at this workshop

> Registration is required and may be made by calling 841-2283.

> Holiday spending out of control? Come to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Thursday, Nov. 6, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., to hear suggestions on increasing holiday joy by lowering holiday expenses. Participants will be given some ideas on how they can get through the holidays without getting into debt.

> Get backing into mutual funds -Bring your lunch to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Wednesday, Nov. 12, to learn more about a mutual fund. The workshop will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hear how your money can be invested, the regulations, types of funds, and more.

Top Cop

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ings of hostility towards Grotton. Consequently, evidence pointed toward Small and a contract killer by the name of Joel Fuller as prime suspects.

"At first, we were faced with the problem of not having any physical evidence directing us to a specific suspect," said Morrow. "We then utilized an undercover NCIS agent to confront Small and overcome this obstacle," he said.

Following a series of false leads, a team of law enforcement officials traveled back to Kansas to face Small. During this time, she made several incriminating statements, which led to her indictment. Nineteen years after Grotton's death, Small was arrested, convicted and sentenced to 60 years in prison for her husband's mur-

Morrow last Saturday was rewarded for his innovative police work and staunch determination to catch a murderer.

"In law enforcement, we all go about our job without the expectation of anyone hearing about the outcome of our work," said Morrow. "It is definitely nice to receive some public recognition for our hard work," he said.

The master of ceremonies for the 2003 Top Cops Awards was John Walsh, host of Fox Television's America's Most Wanted and NBC's The John Walsh Show. Celebrity presenters included Richard Belzer, Mariska Hargitay and Diane Neal of NBC's Law and Order, Carlos Bernard of Fox's 24, as well as numerous other celebrities.

Faith

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discouraged over the occasional set back on any particular day.

One of my favorite Bible verses is from Jeremiah, "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." (NRSV Jer. 29:11)

in his guidance. God will set us free from the occasional daily setback, to give us a future with hope, indeed!

Guard

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can help as well. We can see an responsibilities of all its participants in overall progress and not be responding to organizational support from the Department of Homeland Defense and U.S. Northern Command when a crisis occurs brings America's citizen soldiers one step closer to winning the war on terror.

All participants in the three-day, life-like exercise gained a better understanding of what their roles would be if called on to support the lead federal agency in the event of a state or regional WMD incident.

"I know how important the National Guard God always sees the big pic-response is," said Carcieri. "This is about the ture. Living in faith and trust best way to get our plans in place and test how those plans work, find the weaknesses and see what needs to be propped up. And I think it's terrific that not only do we have federal input, but various states and local input, also."

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